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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

Agency Information Collection Activities: Requests for Comments; Clearance of Renewed

Approval of Information Collection: Reduced Vertical Separation Minimum

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, FAA invites public comments about our intention to request the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approval to renew an information collection. The Federal Register Notice with a 60-day comment period soliciting comments on the following collection of information was published on March 30, 2018. Aircraft Operators seeking operational approval to conduct Reduced Vertical Separation Minimum (RVSM) operations must submit application to the FAA.

DATES: Written comments should be submitted by [INSERT DATE 30 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER].

ADDRESSES: Interested persons are invited to submit written comments on the proposed information collection to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget.

Comments should be addressed to the attention of the Desk Officer, Department of Transportation / FAA, and sent via electronic mail to oira_submission@omb.eop.gov, or faxed to (202) 395-6974, or mailed to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Docket Library, Room 10102, 725 17th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20503.

PUBLIC COMMENTS INVITED: You are asked to comment on any aspect of this information collection, including (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for FAA's performance; (b) the accuracy of the estimated burden; (c) ways for FAA to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information collection; and (d) ways that the burden could be minimized without

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reducing the quality of the collected information. The agency will summarize and/or include your

comments in the request for OMB's clearance of this information collection.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

OMB Control Number: 2120-0679

Title: Reduced Vertical Separation Minimum

Form Numbers: N/A

Type of Review: Renewal.

Background: The Federal Register Notice with a 60-day comment period soliciting comments on the

following collection of information was published on March 30, 2018 (83 FR 13810). Aircraft operators

seeking operational approval to conduct RVSM operations within the 48 contiguous states of the United States

(U.S.), Alaska, and that portion of the Gulf of Mexico where the FAA provides air traffic services must submit

their application to the Certificate Holding District Office (CHDO). The CHDO registers RVSM approved

airframes in the FAA RVSM Approvals Database to track the approval status for operator airframes.

Application information includes evidence of aircraft equipment and RVSM qualification information along

with operational training and program elements.

Respondents: Operators wishing to operate in RVSM airspace are required to submit application to the

FAA. The FAA estimates processing 1,426 initial applications annually and 3,330 updates to existing

approvals.

Frequency: An operator must make application for initial approval to operate in RVSM airspace, or

whenever requesting an update to an existing approval.

Estimated Average Burden per Response: 4.00 hours for updates to existing applications and 6.8 hours

for application for initial approvals.

Estimated Total Annual Burden: 23,017 hours

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